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TESTIMONY BY RODERICK K. BECKER
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TO THE HOUSE COMMITTEE ON TRANSPORTATION
ON
HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 82/
HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 47

March 22, 2019 10:00 a.m. Room 423

REQUESTING THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FINANCE TO CONDUCT A STUDY ON THE FEASIBILITY OF CREATING A PROGRAM THAT WOULD ALLOW QUALIFIED INDIVIDUALS TO REMIT VEHICLE REGISTRATION FEES ON A BIANNUAL BASIS

House Concurrent Resolution (HCR) No. 82/House Resolution (HR) No. 47 requests the Department of Budget and Finance (B&F) to conduct a study on the feasibility of creating a program that would allow qualified individuals to remit vehicle registration fees on a biannual basis and to provide a report on its findings and recommendations to the Legislature prior to the Regular Session of 2020.

B&F offers the following comments on HCR No. 82/HR No. 47. We believe it is more appropriate for the Department of Transportation to conduct the study as they are responsible for implementing and administering State highway programs and requirements.

Thank you for your consideration of our comments.





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The Department of Transportation (DOT) **supports** these resolutions, which requests that the Department of Budget and Finance conduct a study on the feasibility of creating a program to remit registration fees on a biannual basis for qualified low-income individuals.

The effects of split and/or deferred payments are assumed nominal as the amount collected, in total, should remain the same, and this option would only be provided in limited situations; however, if the study findings show a significant negative impact on revenue streams to the Highways Division program, we would like to provide input before a program is instituted.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide testimony.